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House Resolution 523

By: Representatives Amerson of the  $9^{th}$ , Ralston of the  $7^{th}$ , Jenkins of the  $8^{th}$ , and Reece of the  $27^{th}$ 

## A RESOLUTION

- 1 Recognizing the Elliott Family as the First Family of NASCAR in Georgia; and for other
- 2 purposes.
- 3 WHEREAS, the Elliott Family's proud tradition of racing began in Dawsonville under the
- 4 tutelage and guiding hand of George Elliott; and
- 5 WHEREAS, George's young son Bill began to demonstrate at an early age a natural skill and
- 6 competitive racing instinct at Dixie Speedway in Woodstock; and
- 7 WHEREAS, in 1976, at the tender age of 20, Bill Elliott entered his first Winston Cup race
- 8 and launched a career that would span decades; and
- 9 WHEREAS, Awesome Bill from Dawsonville, a modest, unassuming, and unpretentious
- man, has become a household name in NASCAR racing and has been selected Most Popular
- 11 Driver an unprecedented 16 times, Georgia Professional Athlete of the Year twice, National
- 12 Motorsports Driver of the Year 14 times, and in 1998, was inducted in the Georgia Sports
- 13 Hall of Fame; and
- 14 WHEREAS, it is virtually impossible to list all of the honors and awards he has garnered
- 15 over his incandescent career, but perhaps his most acclaimed accomplishment is his support,
- love, and respect from racing fans.
- 17 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
- 18 the members of this body commend Bill Elliott for his over 30 years of outstanding
- 19 contributions to the sport of racing and recognize the Elliott Family as the First Family of
- 20 NASCAR in Georgia.
- 21 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
- and directed to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to Bill Elliott.